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(b) Shipper members. (1) the Committee shall give public notice of a meeting for bona fide cooperative marketing organizations which are handlers, and a meeting for other handlers who are not so affiliated, to be held not later than July 10 of each year, for the purpose of making nominations for shipper members and their alternates. The committee, with the approval of the Secretary, shall prescribe uniform rules to govern each such meeting and balloting thereat. The chairman of each such meeting shall publicly announce at the meeting the names of the persons nominated and the chairman and secretary of each such meeting shall transmit to the Secretary their certification as to the number of votes cast, the weight by volume of those shipments voted, and such other information as the Secretary may request. All nominations shall be submitted to the Secretary on or before the 20th day of July.

(2) Nomination of at least three members and their alternates shall be made by bona fide cooperative marketing organizations which are handlers. Nominations for not more than five members and their alternates shall be made by handlers who are not so affiliated. In voting for nominees, each handler or his authorized representative shall be entitled to cast one vote, which shall be weighted by the volume of fruit by such handler during the then current fiscal period.

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$\S 905.23$ Selection.

(a) From the nominations made pursuant to §905.22(a) or from other qualified persons, the Secretary shall select one member and one alternate member to represent District 2 and two members and two alternate members each to represent District, 1, 3, 4, and 5 or such other number of members and alternate members from each district as may be prescribed pursuant to §905.14. At least three such members and their alternates shall be affiliated with bona fide cooperative marketing organizations.

(b) From the nominations made pursuant to §905.22(b) or from other qualified persons, the Secretary shall select at least three members and their alter-

nates to represent bona fide cooperative marketing organizations which are handlers, and the remaining members and their alternates to represent handlers who are not so affiliated.

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§ 905.27 Failure to nominate.

In the event nominations for a member or alternate member of the committee are not made pursuant to the provisions of §§ 905.22 and 905.25, the Secretary may select such member or alternate member without regard to nominations.

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§ 905.28 Acceptance of membership.

Any person selected by the Secretary as a member or alternate member of the committee shall qualify by filing a written acceptance with the Secretary within 10 days after being notified of such selection.

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§ 905.29 Inability of members to serve.

(a) An alternate for a member of the committee shall act in the place and stead of such member (1) in his absence, or (2) in the event of his removal, resignation, disqualification, or death, and until a successor for his unexpired term has been selected.

(b) In the event of the death, removal, resignation, or disqualification of any person selected by the Secretary as a member or an alternate member of the committee, a successor for the unexpired term of such person shall be selected by the Secretary. Such selection may be made without regard to the provisions of this subpart as to nominations.

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§ 905.30 Powers of the committee.

The committee, in addition to the power to administer the terms and provisions of this subpart, as herein specifically provided, shall have power (a)